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In re Application of:
Charles A. Thomas, et al
Serial No. 09/933,301
Filed: August 20, 2001

Art Unit: 1771
Examiner: A. Wachter

For: TEXTILE FABRIC FOR THE OUTER SHELL OF A FIREFIGHTER'S GARMENT

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U.S. Patent No. 5,928,971 (Ellis) was submitted pursuant to Rule 291 on April 10, 2003. Ellis discloses a face cloth (inner lining) of a fire fighter's garment. Column 3, lines 10-11. The cloth is a woven fabric made from filament yarns and spun yarns, the filament yarns are in one direction (warp or fill) and the spun yarns are in the other direction. Column 4, lines 10-21. The filament yarns are preferably 100% NOMEX, may consist of other materials. Column 4, lines 22-37. The spun yarns are preferably 100% NOMEX. Column 4, lines 37-44. This reference does not disclose a "spun yarn including a first staple being a polymer selected from the group consisting of PBI, PBO, or melamine formaldehyde, and a second staple of an aramid polymer."

Applicant respectfully requests that each reference be reviewed and made of reference in the instant application.

Respectfully submitted,



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1201 84	2201 42	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203 280	2203 140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204 84	2204 42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
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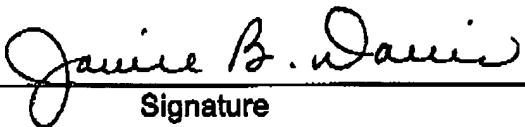
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